

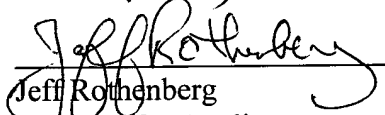


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Applicant: Christopher Oldfield  
Serial No.: 10/600,970                      Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned  
Filed: June 20, 2003                      Examiner: Not yet assigned  
Title: METHODS FOR CONDUCTING ASSAYS AND DEVICES FOR USE  
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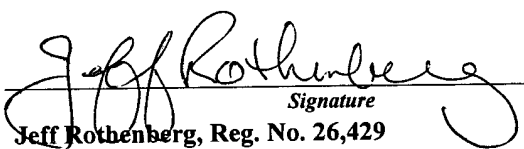

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>			Docket No. <b>0435.095</b>		
Applicant(s): <b>Christopher Oldfield</b>					
Serial No. <b>10/600,970</b>	Filing Date <b>June 20, 2003</b>	Examiner <b>Not yet assigned</b>	Group Art Unit <b>Not yet assigned</b>		
Invention: <b>METHODS FOR CONDUCTING ASSAYS AND DEVICES FOR USE THEREIN</b>					
 <b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.					
<input type="checkbox"/> A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
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TOTAL CLAIMS	47 -	45 =	2 x	\$9.00	\$18.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	5 -	5 =	0 x	\$42.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$18.00</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment.					
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of <b>\$18.00</b> to cover the filing fee is enclosed.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <b>08-1935</b>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.					
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